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Page 9, line 4, delete "[Table 2]" and replace with

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Page 9, delete last line on page in its entirety.

Page 10, lines 1-6, delete these lines in their entirety.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend Claims 1-5 as follows:

Claim 1, line 1, delete "contains" and replace with --comprises--.

Claim 2, line 1, delete "contains" and replace with --comprises--.

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3. (Amended) A detector agent for halogen compounds as claimed in Claim 1 [, according to claim 1 or 2], in which said discoloring component is supported on granular activated alumina. ( $Al_2O_3$ )

④ (Amended) A method for detecting halogen compounds, which comprises bringing a detector agent as claimed in claim 1 [according to anyone of claims 1 to 3] into contact with a gas to be detected that may contain halogen compounds, as said detector agent is disposed on a position where it can be visually observed from the outside.

5. (Amended) A method for detecting halogen compounds, which comprises visually observing from the outside a detector agent as claimed in claim 1, [according to anyone of claims 1 to 3,] disposed on the upper layer of a solid treatment agent for removing or decomposing halogen compounds, as a gas to be treated is caused for treatment to flow from the bottom side of a container filled with said solid treatment agent, whereby halogen compounds are detected to judge the deterioration of said solid treatment agent.

Please add the following new Claims 6-10:

6. A detector agent for halogen compounds as claimed in Claim 2, in which said discoloring component is supported on granular activated alumina.

A3 7. A method for detecting halogen compounds, which comprises bringing a detector agent as claimed in claim 2, into contact with a gas to be detected that may contain halogen compounds, as said detector agent is disposed on a position where it can be visually observed from the outside.

8. A method for detecting halogen compounds, which comprises bringing a detector agent as claimed in claim 3, into contact with a gas to be detected that may contain halogen compounds, as said detector agent is disposed on a position where it can be visually observed from the outside.

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10. A method for detecting halogen compounds, which comprises visually observing from the outside a detector agent as claimed in claim 3, disposed on the upper layer of a solid treatment agent for removing or decomposing halogen compounds, as a gas to be treated is caused for treatment to flow from the bottom side of a container filled with said solid treatment agent, whereby halogen compounds are detected to judge the deterioration of said solid treatment agent.

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Favorable consideration of the subject application is respectfully requested.